

**INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
MINUTES
February 6, 2007**

THE INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION of the Town of Trumbull held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 in the Courtroom of the Trumbull Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Girouard, Chairman
 Arlyne Fox
 John Lauria
 Andrew Lubin

ALSO PRESENT: Brian Smith Assistant Town Engineer, Town of Trumbull
 Neil Lieberthal, Town of Trumbull Attorney

The following is a brief summary of the meeting. A recording was made on tape and is on file in the office of the Town Engineer, Town Hall, Trumbull, CT.

The Chair convened the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Ms. Fox read the Public Hearing notice into the record.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission of the Town of Trumbull will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trumbull Town Hall courtroom on the following applications:

Application #07-01, Jim Taylor/Plumbuilders for permit to replace existing deck, removal of 8 trees at grass line, roof drains piped to drain, curtain drain installed, re-grading of back yard to curtain drain, 27 Wareham Place.

Application #07-02, Patricia & Richard McCarthy for permit to remove 20 trees; build beach area, retaining walls and terrace, 20 Cove Point.

A copy of the application together with the maps showing the location of the above properties is on file in the Office of the Town Engineer, Town Hall, Trumbull.
Dated at Trumbull, Connecticut this 4th day of January 2007.

Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission of the Town of Trumbull
Richard Girouard, Chairman.

Application #07-01: Jim Taylor/Plumbuilders

Replace existing deck, removal of 8 trees at grass line, roof drains piped to drain, curtain drain installed, re-grading of back yard to curtain drain, 27 Wareham Place.

Mr. Jim Taylor was present representing Todd and Leann Schlatter of 27 Wareham Place. Mr. Taylor indicated they are seeking a permit to replace the existing deck and to fix the

water issue in the backyard. Mr. Taylor referred to and reviewed with the Commissioners photographs submitted at the last meeting, explaining the drain goes to the street side, but when it rains there is still overflow. They are proposing to cut 7 (seven) trees, the roots have been undermined by the water and add fill to level the void in the backyard. They are proposing to change the grade of the existing grass area, they are not adding an additional grass area. There is a constant water in the low spot area; it does not drain out to the side, as it should. The application does read as 8 (eight) trees to be removed, yet after further studying of the area only 7 (seven) will need to be removed. Hay bails and silt fence will be used during construction. The walkout has already been filled in with cement/concrete and has been closed off permanently.

There was no one present from the public to speak for or against this application.

Certificate of mailings were submitted for the record.

Application #07-02: Patricia & Richard McCarthy

Remove 20 trees; build beach area, retaining walls and terrace, 20 Cove Point.

Ms. Patricia McCarthy was present.

The certificate of mailings had been submitted prior to the meeting.

Mr. Girouard suggested a continuance on this application due the fact that the applicant was not present at the field inspection.

Ms. McCarthy requested that the field inspection be scheduled after 4:30 p.m. so that she would be available.

Upon motion made, (Girouard) seconded (Lubin), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted for a CONTINUANCE on Application # 07-02 until the next regular meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion made, (Lubin) seconded (Fox), and carried by a vote of 3 in favor and 1 abstention (Lauria) it was voted to accept the January 2, 2007 meeting minutes as submitted.

New Business

Application # 07-04 Giacomo & Julie Carroccia Enclose screened porch with wood deck base, construct in-ground pool, surrounded with fence, remove 2 trees. 53 Oakland Drive.

Mr. Carroccia and Ms. Julie Carroccia were present. Ms. Carroccia indicated the existing patio was approximately 16'x19' and were seeking a permit to add a screen porch with a wood base within their setbacks. The deck would be built on the patio and the fourth wall would be the wall of the house, and would construct an in-ground pool. Mr. Smith indicated the screened porch would be 58' to the pond at its closest point, the pool would be mostly outside the 100-year line and the shed is well outside the area. Photographs were distributed and reviewed in detail by the commissioners, the photographs were submitted for the record.

Upon motion made (Lubin) seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **RECEIVE** Application #07-04.

Application #07-05 R.D Scinto, Inc Install gas main in easement. 81 Spring Hill Road.

Mr. David Bjorklund registered engineer in the state of CT of Spath Bjorklund Associates was present representing the applicant. The applicant is the builder of the Swiss Army building in Monroe, CT. The Town of Trumbull granted an easement from Spring Hill Road to Monroe to allow for a gas line service. The construction of the building moved quickly and the gas line had been installed between December 25, 2006 and January 1, 2007. They were not aware it fell within wetland areas. This area had been previously disturbed it is at the toe of slope of the landfill. During construction it was thought of as a utility line, and if it were in a street a wetland permit would not have been required. Mr. Bjorklund stated a mistake had been made and apologized to the Commission. The acquisition of the easement was part of a settlement. The bike trail is to the west side of the river. Mr. Smith indicated the Commission had previously approved the bike trail, the permanent trail is easterly of the gas line. Mr. Bjorklund stated the area where the gas line had been installed will rejuvenate itself in time.

Upon motion made (Lubin) and seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 n favor (unanimous) it was voted to **RECEIVE** Application #07-02.

Upon motion made (Lubin) seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to take Application #07-07 as the next item of business.

Application #07-07: Philip DiGennaro Remove portion of existing oversized detention basin & renovate remainder detention basin. 5520 Park Avenue
Atty. Rizzio was present representing the applicant. Atty. Rizzio indicated this property was the old golf Digest building on Park Avenue which had been previously renovated as a medical building. ZBA has approved the parking garage in the rear. The application is to replace the 15-year old detention basin and will have no impact to the ecology of the area. This will allow the detention basin to function properly; it is currently 8-10" deep. The medical building has a tremendous demand and has been very successful.
Mr. Joseph Pereira of Pereira Engineering was present. Mr. Pereira indicated the basin is twice the size necessary, there is a minimum of 12' for the free board, the safety factor is built in. Mr. Rizzio indicated the closest wetlands are on the other side of the parking lot. Mr. Pereira indicated for water management and from a wetlands viewpoint it is more than is needed. The detention basin has accumulated silt. Mr. Rizzio stated it is an oversized detention basin and is overgrown, there is silt and some vegetative growth. An alternative plan could be submitted at the Public Hearing if necessary. The bridge would be preserved. The entrance and parking would now be covered; there would be a direct entry for people entering the first, second and third floors. The building has a 99-year lease and would probably be an extension of another 100 years forthcoming. The church parking lot had been extended, the lease is with the church. There will be no fill, no crossing of the native wetlands. If the detention basin had been properly maintained there would be no silt or growth, only cement. This basin is in the center of the parking lot. This application would not create or destroy anything it would only enhance. The building was built in 1987. Mr. DiGennaro took over in 2002. Mr. Lauria requested the hydrology reports if this application was to go to a public hearing. Mr. Smith indicated there was a pond previously but is now the basin. Mr. Rizzio stated he would refer to the

detention basin as wetlands. Mr. Pereira indicated the drainage report for the 100-year flood is included with the application.

Mr. DiGennaro was present at this meeting indicating he has an office at this building and maintains the property. The leaders and catch basins run to this basin. The water is 6-12" deep and usually has an oily sheen to it; a stream does not feed it. They do try to make it look as good as they can, by taking care of the algae and other such elements of the basin.

Upon motion made (Fox) seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **RECEIVE** Application #07-07.

Application #07-06 John A. Delvecchio/Town of Trumbull Library System Sanitary sewer Easement. Jog Hill area.

Mr. Smith representing the applicant was present. Mr. Smith stated the sewer project is approximately 15 miles long and will serve about 606 homes, there will be approximately 10,598 linear ft of cross-country sewers in the project. The longest single cross-country segment is 5,010 ft from 123 Greenbrier Road to Oldfield Drive. This section is along sections of Booth Hill Brook and includes three wetland crossings, one near Firehouse Road, one near Blackhawk Road and one near Towerview Drive. With the exceptions of the wetland crossings the sewer main will be 15' or more from the wetlands. Along Booth Hill Brook it will be 20' to 50' from the brook. Another cross-country segment is 718 linear ft from Clarion Place to Doe Hollow Drive. The sewer main will be 95' from Booth Hill Brook at the closest point but will cross two small tributaries. Another cross-country is from Cobblers Hill Road to Shelter Rock Road 1,344 LF, two tributary crossings and a portion along Booth Hill Brook. From Shelter Rock to Strobel Road, 580 linear ft, a portion along Booth Hill Brook. There is also a brook crossing on the corner of Daniels Farm Road and Hedgehog Road. Other cross-contour areas are Old Orchard Lane, 30 LF; Blackhawk Road, 317 LF; Firehouse Road, 270 LF; Towerview Drive, 259 LF; Pilgrim Lane to Oldfield Road to Grayrock Road, 1332 LF; and Oldfield to Brookhedge Drive, 566 LF. The remaining sewers are in existing roads. All wetlands and watercourses that are disturbed will be re-graded to original contour elevations. This will be done by a private contractor and will be bid, there will be anti-seep collars installed, there will be no damns. The most environmentally sensitive area is the valley area, Blackhawk Road is on the west side of the valley, and the anti-seep collars will be placed as a precaution to protect the area. The wetland disturbance is temporary and the wetlands will remain fully functioning. Erosion control measures will remain in place throughout the construction process.

Atty. Lieberthal left the meeting at 8:53 p.m./Atty. Lieberthal returned at 8:54 p.m. The design has been in progress for two years and all the easements are in place. The choice of easements were those that would be the least invasive.

Upon motion made (Fox) seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **RECEIVE** Application #07-06.

Upon motion made (Lubin) seconded (Fox), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to close the public hearing at 9:08 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: Ms. Fox stated the State of CT is performing work on Main street to Tashua Road, approximately 120-125' of Tashua Road's sidewalk has been decimated, there is no record of an easement, expressing concern over this. Ms. Fox suggested a letter be written to the State asking for an explanation of the work being performed. Mr. Lauria pointed out that there is also work being done by the State of CT in front of Wakeman's Nursery. Mr. Smith confirmed that the State reviews its own applications.

Correspondence:

Mr. Smith indicated the notice of violation had been sent and Ms. Lobo has since submitted an application and that application is scheduled to be on the March agenda.

Work Session:

Application #07-01: Jim Taylor/Plumbuilders Replace existing deck, removal of 8 trees at grass line, roof drains piped to drain, curtain drain installed, re-grading of back yard to curtain drain, 27 Wareham Place.

Upon motion made, (Lubin), seconded (Fox), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **APPROVE** Application #07-01 as submitted.

Application # 07-04 Giacomo & Julie Carroccia Enclose screened porch with wood deck base, construct in-ground pool, surrounded with fence, remove 2 trees. 53 Oakland Drive.

Upon motion made, (Lubin), seconded (Fox), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **APPROVE** Application #07-04 as submitted.

Application #07-06 John A. Delvecchio/Town of Trumbull Library System Sanitary sewer Easement. Jog Hill area.

Upon motion made, (Lubin), seconded (Girouard), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor (unanimous) it was voted to **APPROVE** Application #07-06 as submitted.

FIELD INSPECTION DATE:

The field inspection date is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2007 to leave the Town Hall at 3:00 p.m. for the following application:

Application #07-02

Application #07-05

Application #07-07

Adjournment:

Upon motion made (Fox) seconded (Lubin), and carried by a vote of 4 in favor, (unanimous), it was voted to adjourn at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni
Clerk

